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## **AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the non-final Office Action mailed on April 22, 2005. Applicants respectfully request amendment of the patent application, and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.